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**ARIZONA SCHOOLS CHIEF TOM HORNE TO ADDRESS NATIONAL COUNCIL ON
ECONOMIC EDUCATION (NCEE) AT THE NATIONAL PRESS CLUB IN D.C. TO
HIGHLIGHT ARIZONA'S ECONOMICS GRADUATION REQUIREMENT**

WASHINGTON, D.C. (Tuesday, February 26, 2008) -- Arizona Schools Chief Tom Horne will participate in the 3rd National Summit on Economic and Financial Literacy on Wednesday, February 27, 2008 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (Eastern) at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. NCEE invited Horne to participate on the four person panel which consists of educational leaders, business people and policy makers. Horne will highlight Arizona's new high school graduation requirements, which requires economics for every graduating senior, beginning with the graduating class of 2012.

Horne was sought by the NCEE to present at the summit addressing how the State of Arizona has very significantly expanded its educational requirements to include rigorous economics graduation requirements.

Arizona has been recognized by the History Channel as having history standards "head and shoulders" above the other 49 states. The required economics course is the capstone of the K-12 economics standard and is receiving national attention.

**WHO: ARIZONA SCHOOLS CHIEF TOM HORNE TO ADDRESS NATIONAL PRESS
CLUB TO DISCUSS ARIZONA'S GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2008

TIME: 9:00 A.M. – 12:30 P.M. (EASTERN)

**WHERE: NATIONAL PRESS CLUB
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

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